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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7372 NOTE PREPARED: Jan 13, 2004

BILL NUMBER: HB 1009 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: School Tax Levies.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Cheney BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill authorizes a school corporation to: (1) file an appeal to impose an additional levy to make up a shortfall in property tax collections in a fund other than the school general fund; and (2) increase the school corporation's transportation fund levy by the amount by which the state has reduced its transportation distributions to the school corporation. The bill provides that the increase in the transportation fund levy and the shortfall levy are not eligible for Property Tax Replacement Credits or Homestead Credits.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues: (1) The number of schools that would file for an appeal for a shortfall in property tax collections in a fund other than the school general fund is unknown. The number of appeals would probably be minor. As an example, from CY 2001 to CY 2003 the average number of appeals per year was about 18 and the value of the appeals was \$800,000 annually.

(2) The total amount of the allowable appeals for the transportation fund levy to incorporate the elimination of state funding for regular, special education, and vocational education transportation would be about \$32.9 M. A school may appeal for the loss in state transportation revenue in one year or over several years, but the

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total amount of the appeals cannot exceed the amount the state distributed to the school for the period of June 30, 2003, to December 30, 2003.

Neither appeal is eligible for Property Tax Replacement Credits or Homestead Credits.

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: School corporations.

<u>Information Sources:</u> Department of Local Government Finance Database and List of Appropriations for the 2003-05 biennium.

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